

## October 2005 Unified Program Newsletter

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### California Environmental Protection Agency

<b>Upcoming Meetings</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>State Contact</b>
Violation Classification Workgroup	October 13 <sup>th</sup>	Dennis Karidis (916) 327-9558
Workgroup on Information and Forms	October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Jim Bohon (916) 327-5097
Workgroup on Information and Forms	November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Jim Bohon (916) 327-5097
Data Management Steering Committee	November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Jim Bohon (916) 327-5097
Enforcement Steering Committee	November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Larry Matz (916) 327-3442
UST Steering Committee	November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Liz Haven (916) 341-5752
UP Administrative and Advisory Group	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Don Johnson (916) 322-8284

### **2006 Unified Program Conference Scholarships**

Cal/EPA is offering a limited number of scholarships to this annual training conference. Funding for the scholarships is made possible by funds from the settlement of an enforcement case that were designated for training. These scholarships include registration fee, travel, hotel, and per diem as allowed under state travel policies. Scholarships are available ONLY to state, local and tribal environmental enforcement staff. To apply for a scholarship, please email the information listed below to Jami Ferguson at [jferguso@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:jferguso@calepa.ca.gov). **The deadline for applications is Friday October 21, 2005.** Late applications will not be accepted. For information on the conference, please go to: <http://cal.cupa.net/conference.html>.

Name  
Title  
Agency  
Email Address  
Mailing Address  
Phone Number  
Supervisor's name  
Supervisor's email address  
Supervisor's phone number  
Duties (particularly as they relate to enforcement)  
Have you ever received a Cal/EPA Scholarship before? If so, when?  
Did you attend the CUPA/UST Conference last year?  
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Scholarship award notifications will be sent out by email as soon as possible after the application deadline. Please be informed that scholarships provide for reimbursement of expenses and those reimbursements take 6-8 weeks to be processed. Cal/EPA will only make reimbursements to individuals. Checks cannot be made out to agencies.

## **State Water Resources Control Board**

### **California UST Inspector Certification**

As of September 1, 2005 (the inspector certification requirement date), a total of 352 persons had obtained ICC UST Inspector Certificates. We recommend that, when an UST inspector signs UST facility inspection reports, the inspector also include her or his ICC UST Inspector Certificate number. Other ICC California UST programs: Designated UST Operators - 3535; UST Service Technicians - 736; UST Installers with a California address - 525.

UST Program Contact: Laura Chaddock (lchaddock@waterboards.ca.gov; 916-341-5870).

### **Single-Walled UST Survey**

On September 22, in cooperation with the CUPA Forum Board, we sent to the primary UST contact at each local agency a survey to gather information on the number of UST facilities with single-walled UST systems (SW tanks with SW piping, SW tanks with DW piping, and/or DW tanks with SW piping). Additionally, information was requested on the number of SW UST systems which served as the only fueling location for large rural geographical areas. With a requested due date of October 21, 2005, by the end of September about 12% of the surveys had been submitted.

UST Program Contact: Jim Frank (jfrank@waterboards.ca.gov; 916-342-5668)

### **New Hydrostatic Monitoring Method for Piping**

On September 19, 2005, LG-113 was amended to include the Ameron Dualoy 3000 LCX/MCX piping system with hydrostatic monitoring. This method of monitoring Ameron double-walled piping is the latest option for meeting the continuous vacuum, pressure, or hydrostatic monitoring requirements for UST systems installed after July 1, 2004. For a complete list of acceptable methods, refer to the Hot Topic, "Vacuum, Pressure, and Hydrostatic Monitoring Methods" on the SWRCB UST Program web site.

(<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ust/>)

UST Program Contact: Scott Bacon (sbacon@waterboards.ca.gov; (916-341-5873)

## **Department of Toxic Substances Control**

### **CUPA Fee Emergency Regulations**

On September 26, 2005, the Office of Administrative Law approved the Unified Program Single Fee System for State Agencies emergency regulations. These regulations will be in effect until January 24, 2006, and are located at [http://165.235.111.242/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/CUPA\\_Fee\\_regs.cfm](http://165.235.111.242/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/CUPA_Fee_regs.cfm)

These regulations are necessary for the Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) to establish the methodology for setting the fees to be paid by regulated businesses in specific counties. These are any counties where a state agency is designated as the Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). These regulations address the specifics necessary to allow the State to collect fees for serving the unified program agency functions, as allowed by current law, once it is designated as the CUPA.

In January 2005, the Secretary of Cal/EPA designated the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) as the state agency CUPA for Imperial and Trinity Counties. The amount of the fee each business must pay for CUPA activities is based upon DTSC's approximate cost of regulating each specific activity conducted by that business.

Questions should be directed to Mary Wilson at (916) 323-7367 or Sonia Low at (916) 323-9757.

## **Governor's Office of Emergency Services**

### **Pesticide Drift Protocols**

The protocols have been drafted. There was a focus group meeting October 6, 2005 to determine the next steps. What still needs to be done:

- Present protocols to interested parties for final comment

- Draft guidance and a regulatory package

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**The Unified Program Section is interested in your comments and suggestions regarding the monthly newsletter. Please provide comments and suggestions to [cupa@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:cupa@calepa.ca.gov).**

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